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1. There was no prescribed tour of duty for Soviet reserve officers recalled to active duty. When they were sent to occupied Germany or Austria, the tour of duty was three years. After the tour was over, such reserve officers were returned to the USSR and continued their reserve service there for an indefinite time. [redacted] not too many enlisted men were recalled to active duty in the Soviet Army. Those who were recalled were mainly skilled technicians who served in reserve capacity for an indefinite period just as reserve officers did.
2. All reservists, officers and non-commissioned officers alike, retained their ranks as of the date of separation from their previous active duty when recalled to active duty. Officers demobilized because of the age limit were usually promoted to the next higher rank. Such officers could not be recalled to active duty, except in case of mobilization or war, in which event they would retain the ranks to which they had been promoted when demobilized.
3. As a rule, reservists recalled to active duty were not transferred to a service other than that in which they had formerly served. Sometimes exceptions were made in the cases of medical officers, engineers, and other highly trained technicians, but there was a very strong tendency to keep the number of such cases to a minimum.

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